

Region 3 GPRA Baseline RCRA Corrective Action Facility

Kennametal Manufacturing Facility

Chalybeate Springs Road

Bedford, PA 15522

Congressional District 9

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Current Progress at the Site

Kennametal Manufacturing is currently implementing remediation of contaminated groundwater at isolated locations within the Facility's property. The cleanup consists of groundwater pump and treat, and annual groundwater monitoring. Annual groundwater monitoring results are submitted to EPA for evaluation. Kennametal Manufacturing will continue to perform groundwater remediation and monitoring until the Maximum Containment Levels (MCL) for 1,1,1-Trichloroethane (200 ppb) and 1,1-Dichloroethylene (7 ppb) are achieved for three consecutive years. On June 14, 2002, EPA agreed to allow Kennametal to monitor groundwater on a less frequent basis, once every 15 months for certain wells and once every 30 months for wells that have been yielding consistent results over the past several years.

Site Description

The Kennametal Manufacturing facility is located in Bedford, Pennsylvania in a valley about 1 mile upstream from the confluence of Dunning Creek and Raystown Branch of the Juniata River. The Facility is situated in a rural area characterized by low density residential uses, with some non-residential land uses (e.g., commercial and institutional).

The Facility consists of two manufacturing areas, each with its own distinct functions. In Manufacturing Area 1, the tungsten carbide powders undergo pelletizing, fitzmilling, and pressing of mechanical pill presses into tool tips of various shapes. In Manufacturing Area 2, the steel bodies that hold the tungsten carbide tips are manufactured and undergo brazing to the tungsten carbide tool tips. The steel parts are processed by honing, turning, milling, and drilling, along with some straightening and cutting.

Site Responsibilities

RCRA Corrective Action activities at this facility are being conducted under the direction of EPA Region 3 with assistance from the State.

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